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## FROM OUR ITEMIZERS.

SEND US THE NEWS.

LOWELL STATION.

In spite of the ravages of Jack Frost there are quite a lot of peach blossoms. -o- The three-months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Hardaman died Saturday. It took la grippe when three days old and was a little sufferer till death released it. -o- Our neighborhood was well represented at Columbus Saturday as the W. C. T. U. county convention and Farmers Alliance meeting were attractions. -o- Ruth Mitchell and probably Luella Haworth will attend the district W. C. T. U. convention at Mound Valley Friday and Saturday of this week. -o- Henry Mitchell, Henry Harvey and Mr. Welman are delegates to the farmers and laborers meeting April 2. -o- Mr. C. T. Dunbar has concluded not to move back yet and his son Allen is working in the mill. -o- There will be an entertainment given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Will Pearson next Monday evening to which all are invited. -o- Bursey Shields has been home this week on account of a sprained wrist. -o- One of Mrs. Wright's mules tumbled over dead a few days ago. We don't know the cause unless "too much fat." -o- School begins again Monday. -o- Mr. and Mrs. Joe King of the Ottawa Nation, I. T., visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday. -o- Geo. Carlyle came up from his home east of Baxter Wednesday evening to attend alliance meeting. -o- Mrs. Stevenson received word this week of the death of little Barclay Masters, son of Joseph and Esther Masters, formerly of this neighborhood. La grippe was the forerunner of the disease which ended his life.

LOWELL NEWS.  
BY "AKOX."

F. M. Fulkerson went to Montana, Labette county, on business Thursday. -o- C. R. Lowdermilk came over from Joplin Sunday. -o- Miss Bertie Hart returned from her visit in Columbus Monday. -o- W. S. Bell has accepted a position in Heidrick's store at Joplin. -o- Miss Grace Leggett came from Stiperville to attend the W. C. T. U. convention at Columbus. -o- W. E. Morgan attended the meeting of the local presidents of the farmers alliance at Columbus Saturday. -o- Will Carr bade good-bye to Lowell Sunday and started for Guthrie Monday. -o- Miss Blanch Leggett's many friends trooped in on her en masse Tuesday evening and were successful in surprising her and spending an enjoyable evening. -o- F. S. Rounsavell went to Joplin Monday and brought back a load of groceries for his store. -o- W. E. Morgan, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Fulkerson, Mrs. Smith and Maude E. Smith attended the W. C. T. U. convention at Columbus Saturday. They report a good convention and speak in terms of praise of the hospitality of the Columbus ladies. -o- Mrs. Kenyon preached an excellent sermon Sunday from Luke 5:45. She was greeted with a full house, a number being present from Baxter and Vark. We may never hear her preach again as she soon leaves for her home in Chicago, but she has won her way to the hearts of the people here and her kind and earnest words will never be forgotten. -o- There will be divine service by the Friends at the school house Sunday. Robert J. Quagon from the Ottawa mission will preach at 11 a. m. He is said to be an earnest and eloquent speaker. Come and hear him.

Resubmission.  
Columbus Advocate.

While the press and politicians of the state are talking about the resubmission of the prohibition amendment to a vote of the people again, we want to call the attention of the citizens of Cherokee county to a question that should be resubmitted at the earliest possible moment; and one that affects them far greater than the question of open saloons. This is the two hundred dollar constitutional exemption provision.

However beneficent the object of that measure may have been in the early settlement of this state, certain it is that it has outlived its usefulness and should be repealed at the earliest opportunity. A fair idea of the workings of this law can be gathered from the following figures which are taken from the assessor's rolls of Lola township for the year 1899:

Assessed valuation of personal property	\$28,318
Constitutional exemptions	28,749
Amount on which taxes are paid	10,569
No. of persons assessed	229
No. who pay taxes	52

Thus it will be seen that \$28,749 worth of personal property in Lola township, or in other words more than 72 per cent of the individual personal property of that township, pays no taxes. In Cherokee county there is a total of \$516,218 worth of personal property that is taxable. Assuming that Lola township is an average on which to base a calculation of this kind, and that counting Weir City, Columbus, Baxter Springs and Galena as equal to a township, we find that \$1,327,882 worth of personal property in Cherokee county is escaping taxation. Is there any justice in a measure of this kind? We think not. A careful study of these figures reveals a state of affairs that should not exist. Here is nearly three-fourths of the personal property that escapes its just and proper share of the public burdens; and, viewed from another

standpoint, it enables those who are so disposed to evade the payment of any personal tax, as they may have all the way from \$200 to \$1000 worth and if so disposed will crowd it all in under this \$200 exemption. As this is a constitutional provision it will require some little time and a vote by the people on the matter might be well enough to make preparations accordingly.

Candidates for the lower house of state legislature this year should be pledged to a repeal of this measure. Another thing which should be looked after and that is the taxation of mortgages. Every person who holds a mortgage should be compelled to pay a tax thereon. If no more than at the rate of one dollar on the thousand it would materially lessen the taxation on other property. The significance of this is seen when it is remembered that over \$100,000 leaves Cherokee county every year to pay interest on mortgages. In the selection of legislative candidates these things should be taken into consideration; and an investigation will at least bear out the assertions and figures made in this article. Some wholesome legislation along this line will result in great good to the entire people of this state.

Well and Happy.

I take pleasure in submitting the following statement of facts that you may know the great benefit that has resulted from the use of your Specific in the case of my little daughter, now ten years of age. The child, when two years of age, had a severe attack of scarlet fever, which left her with a shattered constitution. Among other evidences of impaired nutrition was what doctors call softening of the bones. In her fifth year she happened to a slight accident which resulted in the dislocation of the hip joint, and, from the irritation thus set up, terrible abscesses of the hip ensued. The abscesses, despite the best medical treatment that could be obtained, remained three years, discharging continuously. At this time, through the influence of friends, I put her on your S. S. S. When this treatment was commenced the abscess was very large, having six perforations, pus discharging through them all. During this treatment several spiculae of bone came out and by the time she had finished the fifth bottle the abscess had entirely healed, her appetite and general health had been restored; in short, she was well and happy and so continues.

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IRL R. HICKS' WEATHER PROPHECY.

The following taken from the "storm chart" for 1899 of Rev. Irl R. Hicks of St. Louis will prove interesting to many. Here are his predictions for APRIL.

April will open with softening temperature and showers—perhaps snowsqualls north. The first regular storm period for the month will be from the 5th to the 10th. The electric power of Venus, with the vernal equinox still in force, is almost sure to excite storms of rain, hail and thunder. About the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th rapid fluctuations from warm to freezing will occur. About the 13th expect reactionary storms. From the 18th to 22nd April showers with some very hard rain storms are very probable. Watch the 19th, 20th and 21st and be prepared for the cold and frost that will follow in the track of the storms. Minor storms may be expected on the 25th and 26th. A regular storm period begins on the 29th and runs into May. Active storms will be in motion in the west on the 30th.

A beautiful cover accompanies the Easter number of the New York Ledger, which gives the paper an air of seasonable and agreeable novelty. The design is chaste and appropriate and the execution in color is refreshingly soft and harmonious. Such work is a popular educator in artistic feeling and recommends the paper to all people of taste. In this number of the Ledger we notice the commencement of a new story by the popular author of "Jan Vedder's Wife," Mrs. Amelia E. Barr, entitled "The Household of McNeil." Mrs. Barr seems to command the best literary mediums—the Ledger and Century in the United States, and Good Words in England.

The presence of two or three inferior cows in a herd affects the average profit of the whole. If dairymen wants to be conducted as a paying business the most important requisite is a good cow in place of an inferior one.

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